

Botanical & Zoological
Gardens.

July 28th 1877

Sir

I have the honor to report as follows
on Gardens operations since June 11th
of the information of the Gardens
Committee

All the minor roads have been
renovated and put into good order and
the drain spad over the hill from the
gate has been reinstalled

The heaps framed by the road sides
by the accumulation of mud and sand
prior to the brick drains being cut down
are now being removed and the
turf levelled

The beds are now in very fair order
and the general appearance of the
Gardens is tolerably clean, and as
no heavy alterations are being
carried out just now I think that
40 men will be sufficient for keeping
on the ordinary routine of keeping
the place clean, and I would recommend
that 10 men be employed for the

end of the present month

Since the last meeting of the
Committee I have carried out two
resolutions of the Committee passed on
June 7th 1845. viz. 1st Employing a carpenter
permanently - as the already needs repairing
and there are several others to be repaired
to be carried out and 2nd furnishing
the Watchmen with distinguishing
badges

The roof of the office has been repaired
as the rain came through on books &c.
previously

In the Economies formed the new
one engaged in purchasing a piece of
ground for tea & coffee which proves
a more arduous undertaking than I
had anticipated. Plants of American
India rubber, Cast. Diapansia, Ebony
Allspice Gamboge &c. &c. have been
planted out. The Liberian Coffee is
just commencing to bloom profusely
A plot has been sown with tea seeds
from Java, finally procured by the
Hon^{ble} the Colonial Secretary.

I have been unable to do anything
as yet towards getting rid of the
house at the corner of the Committee

I have disposed of the Digges; and one
Leopard died from getting choked with
a bone and only one now remains.

The Committee have settled
Srenson's case it is not necessary
to recapitulate the circumstances
here. He has left the house which is
now closed.

I beg to submit for your consideration
a certificate given me by the said Thomas
but if a rational observer is to be engaged
I would recommend that the present
head quarantined Abdul Samad be
taken out in that position, and as he
is a married man as well as the
head of a family, I would ask you
to consider the impracticability of placing
them in a Chaffardens House
together.

The clump of trees etc. which hides a
dubious heap. Each the officer told and
the long ladder is now getting to
look very unwieldy and I await your
decision regarding it, and also about
the piece of ground near the fence
opposite the Natharajah's property.
The letters have been distributed
besides supplying at the Department.

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I have the honor to be

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